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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Filed: July 6, 2001 Examiner: T.A. Vu  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ACCESSING INSTRUMENTATION  
DATA FROM WITHIN A MANAGED CODE ENVIRONMENT

**FIRST AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Seattle, Washington 98101

August 27, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 16, 2004, applicants respectfully request amendment of the above-identified application as follows.

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AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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August 27, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X   1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.  
       2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	39	-	39	=	0	x	18	=	0
Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0	x	86	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a

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request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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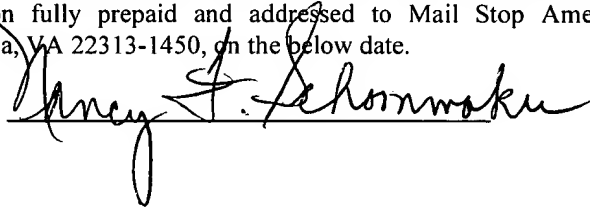


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